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Barrows Jumps In Ski Meet

Richard Barrows, formerly of this town, and son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Barrows of Winchester road, finished 14th in a field of 92 entries at a weekend Ski Meet at Bear Mountain, New York.

Many outstanding jumpers took part, including a number of talented Norwegians, so that Barrows' showing was indeed commendable.

In order to get to this meet he had to ride all night by train and bus and return the same way, so that climbing 14th place at the meet was probably simpler than getting back and forth to Bear Mountain.

Each weekend until the beginning of March will find Richard vying with the best jumpers for top honors.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan. 16. The Community Club No. 3 of Northfield Farms Annual Meeting at 7.45 p. m. in the school house.

The Fortnightly will meet in Alexander Hall at 3 p. m.

Movies at Town Hall tonight.

Jan. 19. Friendly Class meets at 7.45 at the home of Mrs. Edgar Livingston for their monthly social.

Jan. 20. The Brotherhood of the Congregational Church meets at 6.30 p. m. in the vestry.

The Eastern Star Bingham Chapter of Brattleboro invites the Northfield Chapter to a regular meeting at 7.30 p. m. in the Masonic Hall in Brattleboro.

Jan. 22. Meeting of Alliance members, for serving, in Church Alliance Room at 2 p. m. Members are asked to assist.

The Congregational Church will serve covered dish, parish supper at 6.30 p. m.

The Community Club No. 4 of Northfield Farms holds a "work party" for redecorating the hall this evening.

Jan. 23. Movies at the Town Hall.

Jan. 27. The Northfield High School basketball team plays Powers Institute at the Bernardston Town Hall.

The "Haven H. Spencer" Post of the American Legion meets in Legion Room of the Town Hall at 8 p. m.

Jan. 28. Ladies' Benevolent Society meets in the Library at Northfield Farms.

Jan. 29. The Community Club No. 4 of Northfield Farms will hold a regular meeting.

Jan. 30. Movies at the Town Hall.

Local W.C.T.U. Hold Annual Institute

On Wednesday, Jan. 21 the Northfield W.C.T.U. will hold their annual institute at the home of Mrs. Ralph Forsaith on Birnam road. The sessions will begin at 10.30 in the morning and those attending will bring their lunch.

Dr. George A. Bronson, who is an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. will give an address on what temperance has done for the church and what the church has done for temperance. In the afternoon sewing will be done on baby blankets for the infants of other lands, so bring along your large-eyed needle and thimble. The organization will also start a campaign for additional members, both active and honorary. Mrs. N. Fay Smith is president and Mrs. Lawrence Lavelle is treasurer of the W. C. T. U. to whom memberships may be sent. All are invited to attend the meeting.

New England Story Reviewed

An interesting review of "The Garretson Chronicle," by Gerald Warner Brace, was given by Rev. Hazel R. Gredler, pastor of the Unitarian Church, at a meeting of the Unitarian Women's Alliance on Jan. 8.

"It is a slow moving story," said Mrs. Gredler. "It is the history of three generations of the Garretson family in a small New England town."

The theme running through the book seems to be the domination of the new generation by the old. Mrs. Gredler read many fine passages from the book to highlight her talk.

P.T.A. Meets Rev. White Speaks

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association was held in Alexander Hall Monday evening, Jan. 12. President Charles White served as chairman, and Mrs. Charles White as secretary. The treasurer's report was given by Edgar Livingston. Reports were also given by Mrs. Bernard Whitney, chairman of the Refreshment Committee and Mrs. Glen Billings, chairman of the Membership Committee.

The speaker for the evening was Rev. Lester P. White, formerly instructor at the Army Chaplains School and now alumni secretary at Mt. Hermon.

Rev. White gave a colorful account of the training period that all Army chaplains were subjected to, and interspersed his account with many amusing anecdotes. Among other things, the Rev. Mr. White mentioned such things as replacement pools, foot lockers and obstacle courses, which indicates that even chaplains were not excluded from the GI's favorite sports.

Rev. Mr. White not only kept his audience laughing but touched upon the sober aspects of his work and the fine courageous service performed by all chaplains during the late war.

A question and answer period followed the talk. Refreshments were in charge of Mrs. Earl Lilly, Mrs. D. C. Smith, Mrs. Robert Dumbreck, Mrs. Kenneth Sevens, Mrs. Francis Reed and Mrs. Lee Halloway.



THE MONADNOCK REGION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

MONADNOCK INVITES US TO VISIT FOR WINTER SPORTS

The Monadnock Region Association is doing an impressive bit of publicity in inviting its friends to visit. Its area of 22 villages for winter sports. The association has issued a folder which contains full information of all places which provide facilities for enjoyment during the winter season, of hotels and rates and the how of getting about. Also included is a large map of the area. Several of the folders have been received by Northfield folks.

The twenty-two colorful villages in New Hampshire's southwest corner, comprised in the Monadnock Region, are prepared for the annual influx of skiers and other winter sports enthusiasts who are drawn to this winter vacationland each year.

Direct scheduled airline service between La Guardia Field and Keene, in the heart of the winter sports area, places the metropolitan family but 80 minutes away from this popular section of the Granite State.

Catering mainly to the novice and intermediate skier, the region offers seventeen rope tows, the second largest aggregation in the state.

Winter activities are centered about 3200-foot Mt. Monadnock, whose lofty heights provide an appropriate backdrop for the vacationing family.

Information on the Monadnock Region may be obtained by writing the Monadnock Region Association, Peterborough, N. H.

Gill to Fight Fire

After long consideration, Gill has determined to create its own fire fighting force and at a recent gathering at the Gill Town Hall of some 50 persons, a firemen's organization was formed.

Anthony Kendrow was chosen the president of the association. George E. Hastings is vice-president; Francis Remillard, secretary and Charles Greenleaf is treasurer. The list of officers will be completed at a meeting to be held soon.

Gill has a large property interest and has been somewhat dependent on surrounding towns for fire protection. The serious forest fire of last fall was disastrous in its results and most of its citizens aided in putting out the flames. Riverside is a large section toward the South end of Gill and Mount Hermon School is located in the north section. There will be much talk about Gill's new fire fighting force at its annual town meeting.

"20-45" Club Meets

A social evening and supper was held by the "20-45" Club at the Congregational Church vestry Sunday evening, Jan. 11.

Howard Judd of Winchester, who is president of the "New England Association of Model Railroaders," gave an interesting talk on "Model Railroading as a Hobby."

Mr. Judd had some of his equipment on display and he explained the meticulous work necessary to get the proper scale of the tiny trains. Even more exacting perhaps is the task of outfitting these model trains right down to the last dining room knife and fork. A fine hobby for patient and skilled men. The supper was prepared, and served by Mrs. Horace Bolton, Mrs. Manuel Lopez and Mrs. Joseph Reeves.

Blonde: "Why doesn't your boyfriend take you to the movies any more?"

Brunette: "One night it rained and we stayed home."

Religious Studies Draw Many to Greenfield

The series of five religious meetings and classes organized to study the problems of life from the viewpoint of the Christian church and sponsored by the Greenfield Church Council, held its first session at the Greenfield Methodist Church last Sunday evening. Supper was served at 6 o'clock which was followed by group discussion and an address. Several members of Northfield churches are attending and among the leaders are Rev. Lester White of Mount Hermon School, Albert R. Raymond of the Northfield Schools, Rev. Benjamin Andrews, chaplain, Northfield Schools; Rev. Albert Buchanan, chaplain, Mount Hermon School; Miss Eleanor Davis, Northfield School for Girls and Mrs. Albert Raymond as a director of music.

The series arranged for every Sunday evening for five weeks is called a University of Life and those who can and will attend will be well repaid for their effort. Music at each meeting will be a special feature and participated in by well known musical groups.

G.O.P. Town Committee Terms To Expire

With the Presidential Primary fixed for Tuesday, April 27, the terms of members of the present Republican Town Committee will expire and members of the party will vote to replace the present members chosen four years ago.

The present membership of the Republican Town Committee consists of ten, but the committee may determine its own number if action is taken by the committee before Feb. 1. The minimum must not be less than three and the maximum 35. Nominations must soon be made for membership on the committee and full information can be had from William F. Hoehn, chairman.

Besides Mr. Hoehn, other members serving at present are George McEwan, Ernest A. Parker, Dr. F. Wilton Dean, Sidney Given, Fred I. Bolton, Joseph W. Field, Mrs. Allen H. Wright, Mrs. Carroll H. Miller, and George W. Carr. This will be a presidential year and much active interest will be expected from the organization.

Treasury Says Thanks

The editor of the Press is in receipt of a communication from H. A. Beuerman of the Treasury Department at Washington, in which he extends thanks for the cooperation of the Northfield Press in aiding the sale of U. S. Savings Bonds through its columns. He states "we were most happy to note that you are continuing to give strong support for the very important Savings Bond program" and "please accept the deep appreciation of us in the Treasury Department for your grand help. It is public service minded publishers like yourself that give us incentive." Edward M. Powell of this town is the Western Massachusetts manager of the U. S. Savings Bond division.

Enjoying California

Mrs. Margaret H. Harness of the Farms Road, who has closed her home and who has been visiting her sister in Springfield, is now in Hollywood, California. She had a most interesting trip to the coast and visited many points of interest. In a letter she speaks of the delightful weather, but refers to the lack of rain, which is very much needed. She hopes to see much of California during the next two months and will return to her home here next April.

NEW CITIZENS

A son, Calvin Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Barnes of Gill, at the Franklin County Hospital, on Friday, January 9. He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Barnes of West Northfield.

A daughter was born at the Franklin County Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Gibson of Bernardston, formerly of this town, on Tuesday, Jan. 13. Granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph V. Gibson of West Northfield.

Guatemala Greetings

The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. H. Dudley Peck, who are doing missionary work in Guatemala, have received from them a New Year's greeting card bearing a photograph of their three children, William, Paul and Elinor and a brief word concerning each. Dorothy Jean is with her parents, but will no doubt come to the United States to complete her education next year. The family is well and enjoying their work in Central America, especially with the Mam Indians, for whom Mr. Peck has translated the Bible into their language.

Brotherhood to Meet Kirmann to Speak

Ernest Kirmann, faculty member of the Northfield School for Girls, will speak on his impressions of postwar Europe on Tuesday, January 20, at the meeting of the Northfield Brotherhood at the Trinitarian Congregational Church.

Supper will be at 6.30 P. M., followed by a ski movie, showing winter scenes of Northfield and vicinity in color. This film is being loaned by the Pioneer Valley Association.

Returning from his day's toil to his happy little home, father greeted his family.

"What have you all been doing today?" he asked.

"I washed the dinner things," said Ann proudly.

"And I wiped them!" exclaimed Sheila, just as proudly.

Father turned to his only son: "And you, John?"

"I picked up the pieces," was the brief reply.

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Greatest menace to world peace, and a potentially more devastating weapon than the atom bomb, is the threat of an alliance between Communism and a resurrected German militarism, in the opinion of Eugene Lyons, noted writer on international affairs, and the first foreign correspondent to interview Premier Stalin.

"A more explosive combination than teaming Soviet manpower with German technical genius, Russian natural resources with Teutonic efficiency, can scarcely be imagined," Lyons declares in an article in the January issue of Cosmopolitan magazine. "In a time bursting with menace, this is by all odds the greatest single threat to world peace."

Although American opinion is as yet only vaguely aware of this picture, the chancelleries of European countries are deeply concerned about it, according to the article.

There is nothing new about the concept, according to Lyons, who points out the idea of a Russo-German combination dictating to the Eurasian continent is at least two centuries old, and that it takes little account of the political systems in each country.

"It is the essence of the 'geopolitics' taught by the British geographer Mackinder, and the German Professor Haushofer—the idea that whoever controlled the 'heartland' from the Elbe to the Volga could dictate to the Eurasian world," the article states.

"What can the United States do in the face of this towering threat?" Lyons asks. "Exposure of the terrifying facts is essential. There are ample grounds for indicting the Moscow government before the United Nations on this score, and thus forcing the issue into the limelight. Fear, if nothing else, will then operate to unify the non-Soviet world and frustrate Kremlin adventures."

"Above all our America must remain strong and alert. A penny-wise policy now in matters of national defense and world rehabilitation will inevitably prove to have been pound foolish. The restoration of Teutonic military prowess now under way in alliance with a dynamic Communism, the prospect of Russian man power being joined to German technical science and experience—these provide a grim warning which it would be insane to overlook or to minimize."

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THAT BEAT
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CAMERA TOPICS

by T. T. Holden



Unposed, but carefully planned beforehand, this Graflex picture by Philip Gendreau will be a treasured memento in the family album in years to come.

PLANNING MAKES BETTER PARTY PICTURES

Hollywood would never dream of shooting a movie without a script. Professional still photographers seldom start out on a job without at least a rough outline of the pictures they are after. Even a news photographer rushing to a spot news assignment will mentally sketch out the picture situations to watch for.

You will find picturing-taking easier and more fun and the results better if you will follow the same practice these professionals do. You don't have to prepare a detailed shooting script nor stick fanatically to your advance plans. But you should at least consider beforehand what situations are likely to occur that should make good shots and what you can pass up as causing too much trouble or duplicating other photos you already have.

Suppose Christmas morning is the subject of your pictures. You'll want a shot of Junior peering wide-eyed down the stairs to see if Santa has really come. Next a picture of the grandparents quietly holding hands as they watch the youngsters tear into their presents. The young fry surrounded by a sea of wrapping paper and clutching a favorite present is a cute one for the album. There should be several good photos of the children playing with their presents as well as a humorous shot of Grandpa down on the floor monopolizing the electric trains.

Christmas dinner should be good for several shots: Junior struggling to cope with a huge turkey drumstick, Dad manfully carving the bird, Mother happily surveying the contented faces around her at the end of the meal.

Try a shooting script on the next party you plan to photograph and you will be delighted at how much easier it makes good pictures.

*Graphic Photo Division

TOWN TOPICS

In the program of the Connecticut Valley Pomona Grange, which meets monthly except in July and August, the schedule of places to be visited is provided. On the list is Northfield next June 28 when a speaker on youths' problems will address the meeting to be held at the Grange Hall.

Russell Roberts S 1-C is enjoying a month's leave of absence at his home here. He has been 22 months in the service.

Miss Marilyn Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Porter of Birmam Road has the chicken-pox.

There will be served a covered dish supper at the Congregational Church Thursday evening, January 22, which will be followed by community singing and an entertainment. Make it a date and be sure to attend.

According to the terms of the will of the late Frank P. Britton of Greenfield and formerly of Northfield, filed in the Probate Court, he leaves all of his estate to his widow, Marion L. Britton. She is named as executor of the will which was dated October 11, 1943.

Founders' Day of the Northfield Schools will be appropriately observed with a special program for the day on Thursday, February 5.

Travelers on the trains from Greenfield eastward will miss a familiar sight as they pass through the East Deerfield yards. The large coaling tower shaped like a dome and towering, built in 1928 is no more. It has been razed because it is not needed. Diesel engines have replaced the large locomotives which have been sold to a western railroad, the Santa Fe.

Mr. and Mrs. Unto Hantunen, who have recently come to Northfield to direct and edit the Northfield Press and who are guests at the home of Mrs. Roy A. Barrows, will observe their second wedding anniversary on Monday, January 26.

The Evening Auxiliary of the Congregational Church were guests of Miss Munde at her home on Highland Ave., on Friday evening of last week, when Miss Virginia Fowell gave a talk on her experiences in Red Cross work in the Pacific Islands. A social hour followed and there was refreshments.

Ralph Barrows, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Barrows has returned to Mt. Hermon after spending the Christmas holidays with his family.

The Unitarian Evening Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Shirley Kehl on Parker Ave., Thursday evening, January 8. After a brief business meeting, a Quiz contest was held. Among other things the ladies looked at each others' baby pictures and guessing their owners brought many laughs. The prize of the evening, for the Quiz, went to Mrs. Joseph Morgan. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Kehl and Miss Nellie Dearstine.

Word has been received that George Domey, father of Virginia and Robert Domey of this town, died recently in Hartford, Conn. On Sunday afternoon, February

1, in Symphony Hall in Boston, there will be a concert by the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra in aid of Anatolia College in Greece which is well known to many in this community because members of its faculty during the war years expelled by the Germans, resided here.

News has been received of the death of Ronald Easley, well known here, at his home in Marblehead on Sunday, January 11. His wife is the former Dorothy Whittle, a niece of Mrs. William B. Moody.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in Marblehead. Need some typing or clerical work done? Your work will be neatly and carefully done at a nominal charge if you telephone 817. Mrs. Daniel C. Donahue of Millers Falls, formerly a resident of this town on the Farms road, recently underwent a major operation at the Mercy Hospital in Springfield. She is making a gradual improvement and hopes to return to her home soon.

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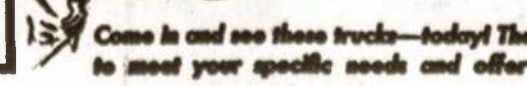
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NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

An assembly was conducted at Northfield High School on Friday, Jan. 9, to carry out the provisions of Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1947 which designate the second Friday in January as "Good Government Day" in Massachusetts. The Governor's proclamation of "Good Government Day" and the provisions of the act were read. The election results in the Senatorial and Representative contests conducted in December were announced. Edgar Parker, a member of the sophomore class, has been declared the representative alternate to Gordon Taylor of Arms Academy in Shelburne Falls. This means that if Gordon Taylor is unable to go to Boston on Feb. 20 to meet in legislative session with other "senators" and "representatives" in this state, Edgar Parker will go in his place. The plan requires that some local group or organization must sponsor the trip of a representative from any school. In the event Edgar Parker is required to go from Northfield, local organizations may be called upon to sponsor his trip to Boston.

Following the announcement of the election results, the assembly sang "America, the Beautiful." A recorded playlet on the "Drafting of the Constitution" was presented. The assembly closed with the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner." Robert Hubbard and Alva Jones of the Class of 1947 of Northfield

High School visited classes on Monday, Jan. 12. On Tuesday, Jan. 13, both of these boys set sail for Great Lakes Naval Training Station. Their many friends in N.H.S. wish them luck and success as members of the U. S. Navy.

The United States Navy Recruiting Service of Greenfield has presented to N. H. S. a beautifully illustrated copy of the career of the U.S.S. Massachusetts from April 1942 through August of 1945. Many will remember that the school children of Massachusetts presented pennies a few years back to have an appropriate plaque placed on the Massachusetts. They can now trace through the many battles of this famous battleship.

Mr. Green of the Green Tours met with the Seniors on Tuesday morning, to explain this year's Washington trip, which includes a two-day and two-night stay in New York City and four days in Washington.

Town Topics

Applications have already been received for the rental of summer cottages this season. The Rustic Ridge Association, through its clerk, will make the first listing about February tenth.

SHEAR NONSENSE

Joe: "That gal certainly puts on the dog."

Jim: "What do you mean?"

Joe: "Her father is an undertaker down in Louisiana and she tells everyone he's a Southern Planter."

Uncle Sam Says



All of us are familiar with quizzes about this and that. Let's take this question: What is the strongest, economic family asset in America? Millions of you could win the jackpot prize for the correct answer. U. S. Savings Bonds, of course. Ownership of U. S. Savings Bonds is now part and parcel of our American way of life because Americans know that Savings Bonds help to build a better, firmer future. Americans know that they yield a good profit at no risk at all to the principal.

U. S. Treasury Department

All the Arabs need to do is convince the world there's anything holy about a holy war.

Salvation Army Traces

Birth to London Mission

The Salvation Army, operating in nearly 100 countries and colonies of the world, had its start in a small London east end mission established in 1865 by William Booth, a former Methodist evangelist.

In the early eighties, pioneering parties were sent into other countries, and by 1886 the organization had established units in North America, Europe, South Africa, Australia and India.

Today, with a total affiliated world membership of more than four million people, the organization's evangelical and social welfare work is directed by 28,000 officers in 17,996 corps and outposts.

Active in taking social and spiritual comfort to millions of soldiers in World Wars I and II, the Salvation Army extended its assistance to the peoples of devastated countries at the close of hostilities and today its relief teams provide aid to thousands of war victims in Europe and Asia. They operate children's convalescent homes, hospitals, clinics, clothing and feeding stations. Major emphasis is placed upon rehabilitation of women and children and restoration of the home as the foundation of stable postwar conditions.

City Dwellers Work

Small Scale Farms

There are probably as many "farms" in New York City as there are subway trains.

Two herds of cattle and a herd of goats roam and feed within the limits of this industrial center. Furthermore, the city has its share of scientific farmers and an abundance of small-scale, one to nine acre farms, most of which are mechanized with rototillers and other implements specially designed for the small-acre farm. Besides this, metropolises have displayed considerable zeal and ingenuity in making corn, tomatoes and pole beans grow in thimble-sized plots set among the cement and brick canyons.

According to the department of agriculture there has been an increase in farming activity around urban areas, with 90,000 new small farms developed within the past five years. Many of these farms are operated on a part-time basis and raise specialized crops for city consumption.

Reasons for increased activity in "subsistence" farming are the availability of mechanized equipment for small acreage and the necessity for moderate and low income families to beat the mounting cost of living.

Bombing Out Fires

Experiments with bombs filled with water and dropped from diving planes with the objective of slowing down the spread of forest fires until ground crews can reach them have proved successful by the U. S. forest service in tests near Missoula, Mont. Army planes carrying the bombs loaded with water flew close to tree-top level and dropped the disintegrating bombs. Results were not perfect but were good enough to warrant further tests with modified equipment. Even a slight check to a fire just getting under way may prove highly important in allowing time for trained fire fighting crews to arrive. The forest service has been alert in using flying equipment in fighting fires. It has crews of trained fire-fighters known as "smoke jumpers" who parachute to the vicinity of fires hard to reach with ground crews. Equipment and food are parachuted to such fire-fighters as needed.

Strength of Subsoils

A new method for determining the strength of clay subsoils which can make possible the saving of \$6 million dollars yearly to the construction business in the United States has been developed by experts at Northwestern university. Using a hypodermic needle and castor oil, coupled with two photo-electric cells, a specimen of clay enclosed in a rubber membrane and a clock-operated, automatic disk recorder, a water pressure instrument has been devised which will increase existing knowledge about the strength of clays and other cohesive soils used in engineering structures. Every bit of knowledge engineers acquire about clays will enable them to design and construct buildings and earth dams more economically. The work will contribute to better levees along rivers and aid the nation's flood control program.

Women in Congress

Mrs. Rebecca Felton was the first woman to serve in the senate. She was appointed by the governor of Georgia to serve in place of Sen. Thomas E. Watson, deceased. Senator George, elected November 7, 1922, to fill out the term, refrained from presenting his credentials until November 22, allowing Mrs. Felton to participate in the sessions of the senate on November 21 and 22. The first woman elected to the senate was Mrs. Hattie Caraway, elected January 12, 1932. Miss Jeanette Rankin, Montana, was the first woman elected to the house of representatives. She was elected in 1916 and again in 1940. Miss Alice M. Robertson, Muskogee, Okla., was the second woman to serve in the house. She was a Republican and served one term, 1921-23.

Red Beards Credited

With Role in History

When beards were up-to-date, red ones were considered quite the vogue. It is true that they were condemned at times, but at other times they were highly praised. Toward the end of the 18th century, red beards were very much in vogue in Paris. Dyes and other preparations enabled the unlucky cavaliers whose beards had a non-fashionable color by nature to remain in style. High fashion in that snobbish period was to have the head black and the beard red. Things went so far that Pierre le Gillard, a popular poet of the time, published a lengthy poem "Eloge des Barbes Rousses."

Once in history red hair provoked an important political decision. Some time around 1730 a Persian officer came to Delhi to pay his respect to the Emperor. He had a long red beard, and the courtiers jeered him, saying, "What next? — here we have now a red-haired baboon come to court!" The enraged officer threatened to all Delhi as well as the palaces "with red-bearded baboons like me" — and some years afterwards the Persian monarch, Nadir Shah, entered Delhi in triumph, plundered the city and put its inhabitants to the sword. Such was the revenge of the "red-haired baboons," the red beards.

Wax Offers Commercial

Use for Waste Lignin

Recovery of a wax of possible wide commercial use by the Oregon forest products laboratory in research on waste lignin from the Springfield alcohol plant is announced by Oregon State college.

Laboratory tests indicate that about 7 1/2 per cent of the 60 to 70 tons of lignin produced daily at the plant can be recovered as wax by a simple petroleum solvent extraction process. The wax has a high melting point and other characteristics that make it promising for numerous commercial uses.

Whether making alcohol from wood waste under normal price conditions can be continued on a commercial basis, depends largely on whether enough byproducts of commercial value can be produced to help cover the cost of the process. About a fourth of wood waste is lignin, which is not used in alcohol making.

Nutrition in Polio

A study of the 1946 infantile paralysis outbreak shows increasing incidence of the disease in higher age groups, especially in rural areas, and emphasizes the importance of nutrition in its background, according to Illinois State Medical society. There is no doubt that over a period of time there has been a progressive increase in the percentage of those in the higher age groups who have suffered from poliomyelitis. Nevertheless the attack rate beyond 25 years is low, being 8 per cent of cases reported. The fatality rate for the cases reported was only 4 per cent, but for the rural patients the fatality rate was 5 per cent. For urban cases the fatality rate was 2.3 per cent.

Publish Records of Congress

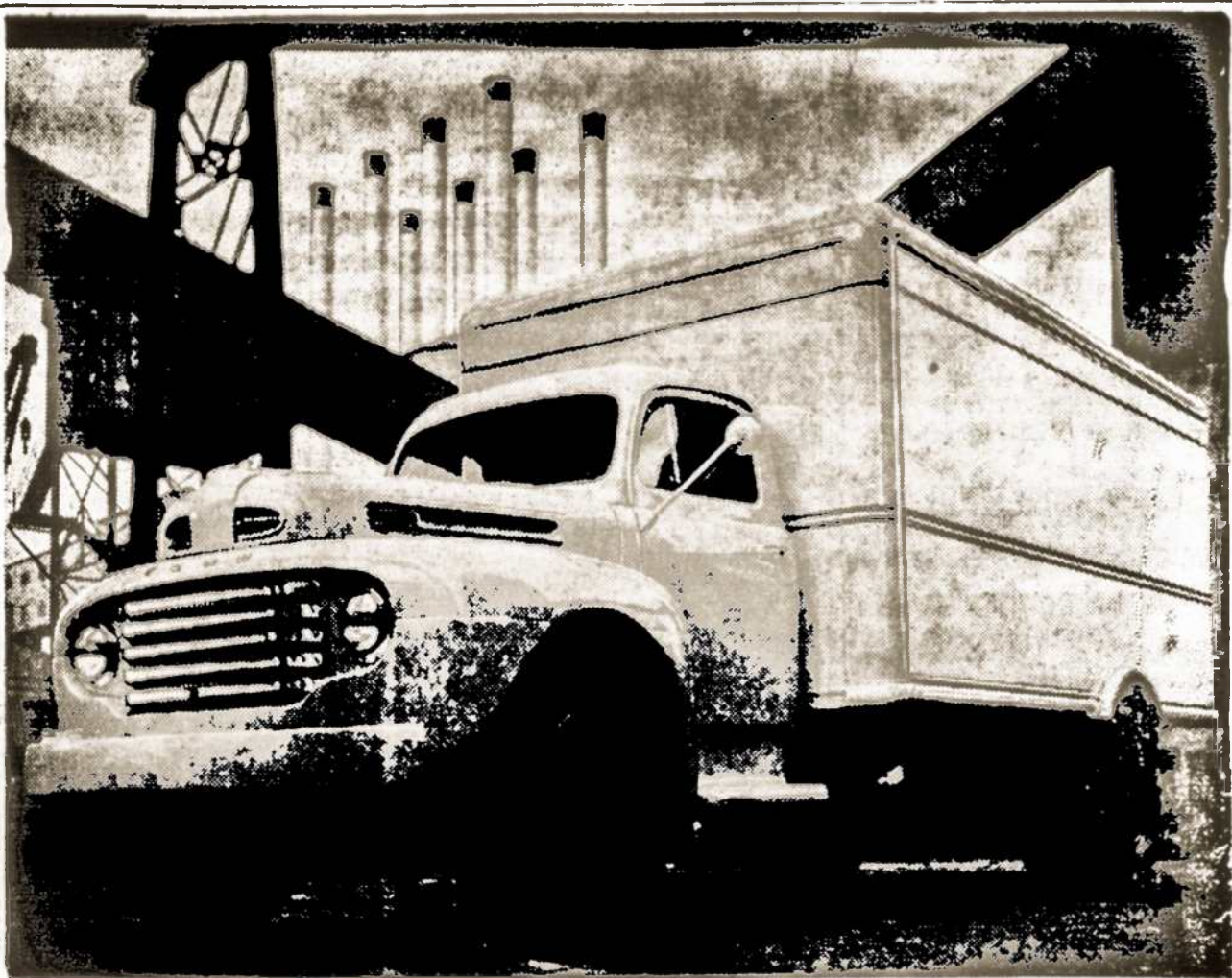
Each house of congress keeps a journal of its proceedings. With exception of the journal of the senate while in executive session, these are published among the documents of each session. The Congressional Record contains an official record of everything said on the floor by senators and representatives, as well as roll calls on all questions and, in appendix, material not spoken on the floor but inserted by permission of either house. The Congressional Record is printed at the government printing office. Bi-monthly the daily records are bound in paper covers, with an index, and for permanent preservation a bound edition is published for each session, in volumes of convenient size.

Mining Whale Oil

In view of current shortage of fats, Britain's most important factories are the "whaling factory" ships Kosmos Four and Empire Victory. Last year, the 21,000 ton Empire Victory, largest cargo ship in the world, formerly German owned, brought 280,000 barrels of whale oil into port. This year, using modern devices, including asdic submarine detecting apparatus to find the whales, the ship owners hope to exceed that figure. Some of the whale meat will be brought back to be used as food, the balance will be turned into fertilizer. British housewives are using more and more whale meat to supplement their meager rations.

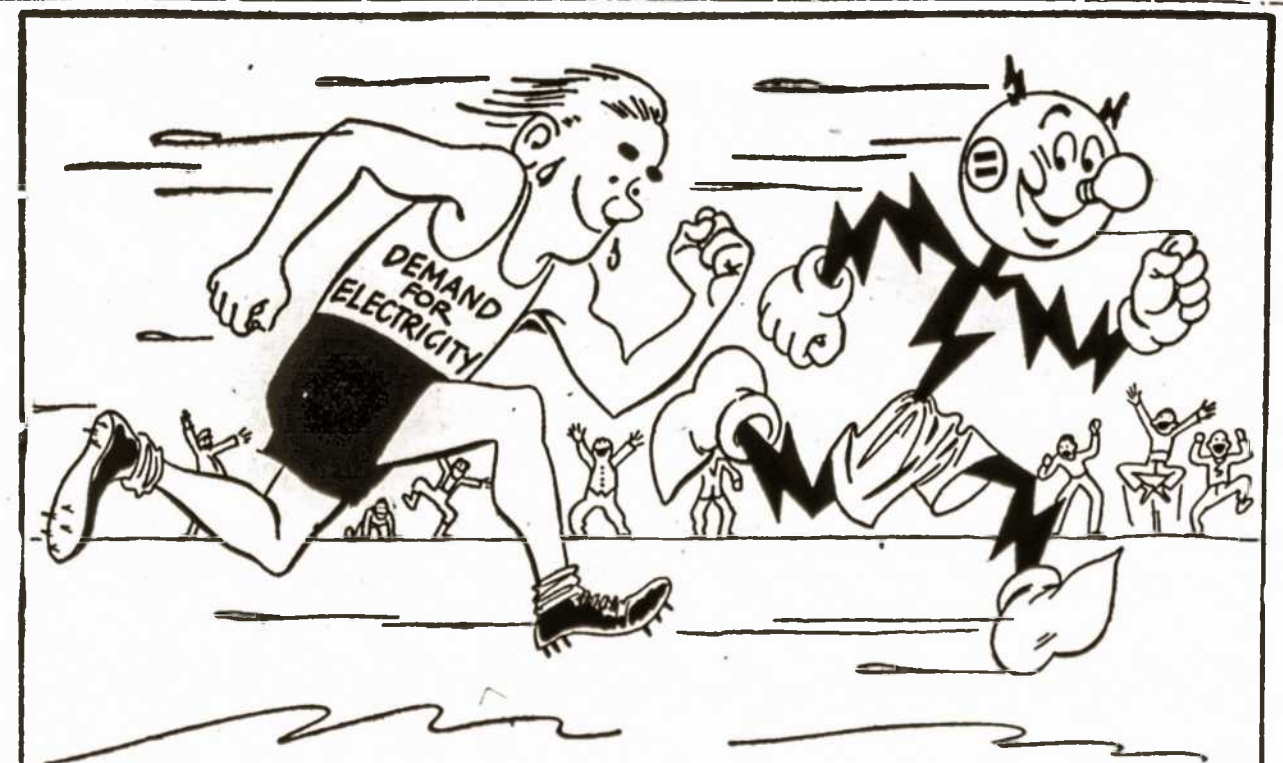
Early English Castles

The Normans introduced the style of castle consisting of a massive central structure, or "keep," set on a mound, with a defensive wall encircling it some distance away. They surrounded the wall by a moat and built a great gateway to protect the entry, while at intervals along the wall they built look-out towers as a safeguard against surprise attacks. The earliest of these Norman fortresses were made of wood and the wall was really a wooden palisade. But within 200 years of the Norman Conquest stone castles were being built and many of the strongholds standing today have features dating back to that time.



The new 1948 series F-8 Ford 3-ton truck with 195-inch wheelbase is the largest truck ever built by the Ford Motor Company. The new 1948 truck line offers a wider range of models and capacities than ever before.

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Since the summer of 1669, when Daniel Hinchman, Daniel Gookin, Thomas Prentice and Richard Beers looked upon the territory that came to be known as Squab-heg, then as Northfield, this town has had a long and historical share in the affairs of New England.

But the passing of time, the weeds of neglect, have obscured many of the landmarks and sites of the days of long ago.

Maps and documents are available, relics of the past have been gathered, all this by the student, the historian, the antiquarian. To the casual visitor, the traveler, this information is not available, or made accessible.

Efforts should be made to indicate, with simple plaques or markers, those locations that have played a part in the not-so-well-remembered past of this town.

The cost would be small, the tribute would be proper and the town would be richer for remembering.

Are your pets and animals provided with food and shelter during the severe cold weather? Many cats and dogs are left out of doors during the day, while folks go to work, or shopping. Your pets are members of your family and should be treated as such. It is a small responsibility for the comfort and companionship you get in return. Don't throw dry bread or crusts away! Put them outside for the birds or they will go hungry. The snow has covered the ground for weeks so that no natural food has been available. Let us do our part to make "our little feathered friends" feel welcome in our town.

POET'S CORNER

(Contributions by local poets are welcome)

THE ART OF LIVING

(Anonymous)

To touch the cup with eager lips and taste—don't drain it;
To woo and tempt and court a bliss—and not attain it;
To fondle and caress a joy—yet hold it lightly,
To watch the sun set in the West without regretting;
To hail its advent in the East—the night forgetting;
To smother care in happiness and grief in laughter;
To have enough to share—to know the joy of giving;
To thrill with all the sweets of life—is living.

A SONNET

Crabbed age and youth
Cannot live together;
Youth is full of pleasure,
Age is full of care;
Youth like summer morn,
Age like winter bare;
Youth like summer brave,
Age like winter bare;
Youth is full of sport,
Age's breath is short,
Youth is nimble, age is lame;
Youth is hot and bold,
Age is weak and cold;
Youth is wild, and age is tame.
Age, I do abhor thee;
O, my love, my love is young!
Age, I do defy thee;
For methinks thou stay'st too
O sweet shepherd, hie thee,
long.

—Shakespeare

He spied Larry coming along the road with his fishing tackle on his back.

"Catch anything, old boy?" he eagerly asked.

"Yes, two."

"Good! What were they?"

The 7.30 there, and the 5.15 back," was the unhappy Larry's reply.

Since the Valentine Party will fall on the date of the regular monthly meeting of the Auxiliary, the women's organization will hold a short business meeting prior to the evening's activities.

"Pop," asked Junior, "how do they catch crabs?"

"It's easy," said Pop sourly.

"With a little rouse and lipstick, a new dress and some perfume."

Quarrels arise in the ranks of the Republicans, who have forgotten, after so many years in the wilderness, how to cope with prosperity.

A concert was being held in a village schoolroom, and it was Sandy's turn to give his bagpipe solo. When he had finished and the applause had died down, a voice from the back shouted:

"Give us 'Annie Laurie,' Sandy!"

"What!" asked Sandy surprised and flattered, "again?"

Dot: "Don't you love overpowered me?"

Evie: "Gracious, I've never overpowered any."

ON THE RUN

Running and sagging of paint is usually caused by putting it on too thick and not brushing it out. It runs under its own weight.

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Open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 1 to 5 except Wednesday and Friday when it closes at 6 p. m.

The Library has recently placed the following titles on their shelves:

Adult: Garretson Chronicle, by Brace; Laughing House, by Deering; Bright Promise, by Sherman; Meadows of the Moon, by Hilton; Years of the Locust, by Erdman; Merry Innocents, by Miller; When the Mountain Fell, Ramuz; Tin Flute, by Roy; Take Three Doctors, by Seifert; Grandma for Christmas, by Seymour; Wicked Uncle, by Wentworth; Mama's Bank Account, by Forbes; Stars in My Crown, by Brown; Zots, by Karig; Came a Cavalier, by Keyes; Miracle on 34th Street, by Davies; The Buckaroo, by Shapiro; Take Back the Heart, by Grey; Wedding Journey, by Edmonds; Gold for the Dead, by Scott; Doctor Takes a Wife, by Randall; Night Riders, by Short.

Also Bishops Mantle, by Turnbull; Bird Who Made Good, by Thane; Way of Life, by Gibbs; Nothing So Strange, by Hilton; Hocking Trails, by Loring; Bad Man's Return, by MacDonald; Candidate for Love, by Grieg; Great

Light, by Barretto; Poison Springs, by Collier; Death in the Wrong Room, by Gilbert; Death of a Bullfinch, by Cunningham; Case of the Lazy Lover, by Gardner; Death Takes a Paying Guest.

Non-Fiction

Adult: Abigail Adams, by Whitney; Favorite Poems, by Longfellow; Managing Your Mind, by Laines; Back Home, by Mauldin; Stories from Homer: Stories from Greek Mythology, by Pettinelli; Road Goes Out, by Greenwood; Earth Horizon, by Austin; George Muller, by Miller; The Fearful, by Stewart; American Class, by McKearin (a gift); Home Country, by Pyle; Lake, Champlain and Lake George, by Van de Water; Paul Lawrence Dunbar, by Cunningham; Where I Stand, by Stassen; House That Jacob Built, by Gould; Speaking Frankly, by Byrnes; I Remember Distinctly, by Rogers; Treasury of New England Folklore, by Botkin, ed.; Complete Stories of Great Operas, by Cross; Help Yourself to Happiness, by Seabury; Precious Secret, by Oursler; Vermont Heritage, by Mussey.

CHURCH NOTES**TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, Minister

Sunday, Jan. 18

10 a. m. Church School and Young People's Forum.

11 a. m. Worship. Sermon subject, "Blessed Are They That Mourn." Nursery for pre-school age children.

6.30 p. m. Jacqueline Jewett will have charge of the devotional service at Pilgrim Fellowship. Third in the annual series of meetings on "Personal Criticisms."

Monday, 8 p. m. Meeting of the Friendly Class at the home of Mrs. Edward Livingston.

Tuesday, 6.30 p. m. Brotherhood Meeting in the vestry. Philip Mann, Jr., chairman of supper committee. Ernest Kirmann will speak on "Experiences in Europe Last Summer." First showing of Pioneer Valley motion pictures.

Thursday, 6.30 p. m. Family parish supper. Each family is to bring a hot dish or salad or dessert. Hymn sing and pictures to follow.

UNITARIAN CHURCH

Rev. Hazel Roger Greider, Minister

10 a. m. Sunday School. Mrs. all ages.

11 a. m. Church Service and sermon. Anthem-choir. Children's story, "The Legend of St. Christopher." Adult sermon, "Religion for Service." There will be a gathering of high school age young people at 7.30 p. m. Kurt Loewus of Mt. Hermon will speak on "Austria Today—So What!" All young people are invited. Social hour and refreshments afterwards.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Helen D. Bassett, Pastor

10.30 a. m. Morning worship, with sermon by the pastor, Helen Bassett. Subject, "Pressing On."

11.30 a. m. Sunday School.

6 p. m. Young People's Meeting; leader, Janet Jones. Wednesday evening at 7.30 p. m. the weekly prayer-meeting will be held at the home of Florence Jones.

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Rev. Henry J. McCormick, Pastor

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Phones on Power Lines

The last census showed that 1,385,000 farms had electricity but only 464,000 farms which had telephones but no power. The rural electrification administration is helping to make possible the extension of telephone and electric service into more rural areas by working out a contract arrangement whereby joint use of poles will be approved. Approval of these contracts does not in itself assure telephone service, but is a start toward extending both telephone and electric service to many rural families that are not now being served.

Tests still are being conducted to use power lines for telephone carriers.

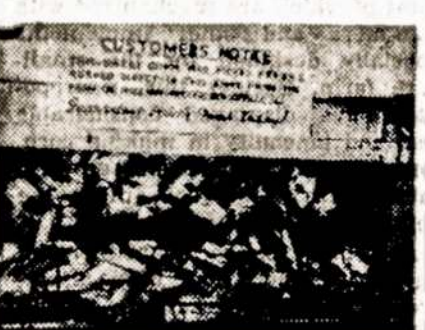
Clocks Off the Years

A clock made about 1880 is still ticking away at Spartanburg, S. C., keeping time, charting movements of the moon and sun and telling the days and months. The four-faced clock is the creation of Daniel Davis, who used crude tools to cut its wheels, gears and cabinet in his small cabin in the North Carolina mountains. One face records the 24-hour progress of the sun. Another charts the course and phases of the moon. A third tells the day and month, even allowing for the extra leap year day. The fourth face performs a clock's ordinary timekeeping duty.

**Corn Is Preserved In New Field Method****Ice-Dipping Keeps Sugar Content of Vegetable**

By W. J. DRYDEN

Ice-dipping of sweet corn in the fields has been tried out during the past season and has proven that all possibility of the corn losing its sugar content has been eliminated. The ice water on the field made it possible to dip the sweet corn in water immediately, thus keeping in



Top: Harvesting the corn. Center: Bagged corn placed in large tank for ice bath. Bottom: Preserved corn on the market.

The tenderness which usually is destroyed if the ears are exposed to temperatures above 40 degrees for a matter of even a few hours. The tests were conducted by the University of Illinois in cooperation with A & P stores.

Tapioca Starch Made From New Waxy Corn

A substitute for tapioca, starch now is being made from waxy corn. It is enough like the real tapioca to have been used successfully for a few purposes formerly considered the rightful domain of tapioca.

The particular type of waxy corn was discovered in China by an American missionary. Seeds were sent to the United States 37 years ago. From this seed has been developed a satisfactory waxy hybrid.

Many cases it will be good business for farmers to spend more money for labor-saving machinery. Many farmers are now in position to pay cash for machinery. By paying cash, they avoid the risks of having to pay this year's debts out of next year's income. They know that debt payments, which seem reasonable at present incomes, could be too heavy if income fell off sharply.

With increased shortage in labor and the high cost of labor, many farmers will find it profitable to gear their purchases of machinery toward those that offer the most in labor saving.

Home Refrigerators Supplement Lockers

The idea of supplementing central locker plant service with home-type refrigerators that include compartments for freezing and for storing frozen foods is one that appeals to farmers who are equipped with electricity.

Larger frozen cabinets now are available for farm use in which a large part of the winter supply of frozen fruits, vegetables and meats may be stored. In some cases it still may be advisable to use community or co-operative locker plants for the larger amount of frozen foods needed.

Drug Proves Effective In Killing Tree Borer

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CHUCKLES

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Sculptor — "That isn't my fault. I had the statue half finished when the committee decided it couldn't afford a horse for him."

Children love to dawdle. Older and wiser persons run fast and have nervous breakdowns.

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